Sl. No.	Town	State	Population 2001	Status	Class
124	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh	2245509	UA	Metro
125	Meerut	Uttar Pradesh	1161716	UA	Metro
126	Varanasi	Uttar Pradesh	1203961	UA	Metro
127	Bageshwar	Uttaranchal	7803	Town	V
128	Kotdwar	Uttaranchal	24947	Town	III
129	Mussourie	Uttaranchal	29329	UA	III
130	Pithoragarh	Uttaranchal	44964	Town	III
131	Roorkee	Uttaranchal	115278	UA	I
132	Bhatpara	West Bengal	442385	UA	I
133	Durgapur	West Bengal	493405	Town	I
134	Kamarhati	West Bengal	314507	Town	I
135	Kulti	West Bengal	289903	Town	I
136	Panihati	West Bengal	348438	Town	I
137	Rajpur Sonarpur	West Bengal	336707	Town	I

Security at Metro Stations

1342. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the security at Metro stations in Delhi is highly inadequate; and

(b) if so, what precautionary measures have been taken to strengthen security at Metro stations in Delhi including deployment of highly skilled/ trained security personnel?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) Both Manual Security and Electronics Surveillance has been provided at all the Delhi Metro stations. Personnel of the Delhi Metro Rail Police (281 personnel), CISF (3 companies for underground corridor), Private security (415 personnel including 38 lady guards) and Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Security (7 security controllers supervised by Security manager under overall control of Chief Security Commissioner) have been assigned the Security of all the stations, train depots and other Metro installations. The Electronic Surveillance consists of DFMDs (installed at all entrance gates of all Metro stations). HHMDs (deployed at

entrance for proper checking/frisking of commuters), CCTVs and wireless sets provided to security staff. The Delhi Police has also sought additional posts from the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Water supply system in Bangalore

1343. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the policy paper submitted by his Ministry at the operation and maintenance of water supply system meeting in Bangalore, September, 2005, envisages that water subsidies would be provided only to urban poor;

(b) what are the other salient features of the policy papers submitted by his Ministry; and

(c) how Government propose to meet the operations and maintenance costs in the light of low revenue receipts from water charges?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) No Policy paper has been submitted by this Ministry on operation and maintenance of water supply system meeting held in Bangalore in September, 2005. The meeting was held mainly for sensitizing the State agencies in charge of operation and maintenance activities of water supply system on the manual of Operation & Maintenance of water supply systems published by the Ministry of Urban Development.

(c) With a view of plugging the loopholes in the recovery of operations and maintenance cost, Ministry of Urban Development has launched Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission and Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for small and Medium Towns for providing reform-linked central assistance to cities and towns. The main objective of the Mission is to secure effective linkages between asset creation and asset management so that, in addition to other civic services, water supply services created in the cities are not only maintained efficiently but also be come self-sustaining over a period of time. Some of the mandatory reforms to be undertaken at ULB and/or the state level such as adoption of modern, accrual-based double entry system of accounting in urban local bodies/parastatals, introduction of system of e-governance using IT applications like, GIS and MIS for various services provided by ULBs/ Parastatals and levy of reasonable user charges by ULBs/Parastatals with the objective that full cost of operation and maintenance or recurring